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Amendment and Response to Office Action

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 3, 2002 (paper number 6), Applicant submits the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments

Please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification:

Please delete the paragraph at page 4, lines 18 to 27, and replace it with the following paragraph:

Similarity analysis includes database search and alignment. Examples of public databases include the DNA Database of Japan (DDBJ) (www-ddbj.nig.ac.jp/); Genebank